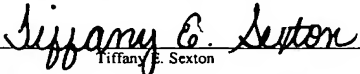


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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the specification as follows:

On page 1 after the title, please delete the current priority claim and replace it with the following:

This application is a continuation-in-part of United States patent application Serial No. 09/959,226, filed on October 18, 2001 and entitled "Humidity Controller", which claims ~~the benefit~~ of PCT patent application No. PCT/NZ00/00156 which has an international filing date of August 9, 2000, New Zealand patent application No. 337382 which has a filing date